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**Subject:** RE: EPA lead on Puget Sound DO  
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Hi Dustin,

We appreciate your interest in continuing our coordination on the south Puget Sound project. Given that Ben has been the technical lead on this project to-date, I think continuing to work with Ben is a great idea. Given the possibility that the effort may result in the development of a TMDL, however, we also think that copying Chris Zell on your emails is a good idea - - and Chris can then dip in to the issues, as appropriate.

Thanks so much,  
Laurie

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**From:** Bilhimer, Dustin (ECY) [mailto:DBIL461@ECY.WA.GOV]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 04, 2017 10:29 AM  
**To:** Mann, Laurie <mann.laurie@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** EPA lead on Puget Sound DO

Hi Laurie,

I really appreciate EPA Region X's early involvement in the Puget Sound DO project and I want to establish more regular communication with your office in 2017 and beyond. We are still kicking around ideas for the end goal of the Nutrient Reduction Strategy (whether it will be a TMDL or TMDL alternative) and I would greatly appreciate you or one of your colleagues to be more involved to provide input on our technical approaches using the Salish Sea Model. I am attending Budd Inlet TMDL meetings between Ecology SWRO and Chris Zell, but I also think that differences between the Budd Inlet and Puget Sound projects will necessitate separate (but less frequent) meetings; probably once monthly at this time.

Can you please help me figure out who from your office I should be coordinating with? Would you/Dave prefer that I include you, Chris, and Ben or just one of you?

Happy New Year!

**Dustin Bilhimer, Puget Sound TMDL Coordinator**

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